VRS Scheme in AAI

*263. SHRI NAND KUMAR SAI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has approved the Voluntary Retirement Scheme (VRS) proposed by Airports Authority of India (AAI) with some modifications;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the number of AAI employees who opted for VRS after approval of said scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) and (b) Government of India has approved the Voluntary Retirement Scheme proposed by Airports Authority of India (AAI) for those general employees, upto the level of DGM, who were working at IGI airport, Delhi and CSI airport, Mumbai. The details of the scheme are given below:

(i) *Ex-gratia* - @60 days salary for each completed year of service rendered or salary for the number of months service left, whichever is less.

(ii) Additional monthly benefit @100% of the Basic Pay (BP) drawn on date of voluntary retirement for those employees whose age is 58 years and above; 80% of BP for above 50 years and upto 58 years and 60% of BP for below 50 years of age to be paid for a period equivalent to the service rendered or till notional date of superannuation or 10 years whichever is least.

(iii) The compensation under VRS will be in addition to the terminal benefits.

(iv) Cash equivalent of accumulated Earned Leave and Half Pay Leave as applicable as per the existing rules of Authority.

(v) Encashment of un-availed Casual Leave on pro-rata basis upto the date of relieve of employee.

(vi) Gratuity as per AAI Gratuity Regulations, 2003.

(vii) Transfer benefit for self and family by the entitled class as per AAI TA/DA Regulations, 2003.

(viii) Medical facilities for self and spouse as per AAI Medical Attendance Regulations, 2003 on attaining the age of superannuation.

(c) 601.

Allocation of funds for different systems of Medicine

*264. SHRI SABIR ALI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds allocated for Allopathy, Homoeopathy, Ayurveda and Unani systems of medicine during the last two years and the current year;

(b) how much of the funds were utilized in each case, year-wise; and

(c) the steps being taken to develop Unani system of medicine and to increase allocation for the same?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) to (c) The information regarding funds allocated and utilized during the last two years and the allocation for the current year under different systems of medicine is given in the Statement. (*See* below)

The Department of Ayurveda, Yoga, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy (AYUSH) has a dedicated Central Council for Research in Unani Medicine for promoting research in the Unani System. The National Institute of Unani Medicine is an autonomous body mandated to impart Post Graduate Education in Unani. In addition, Reorientation of Training Programmes (ROTP), Extra-Mural Research (EMR) Projects, a Number of Central Sector Schemes and Centrally Sponsored Schemes, National/State Campaign for skin disorders/RCH/Geriatic Care have been initiated by the Department for popularizing the Unani System of Medicine. The approved Plan outlay for Unani System increased from Rs. 57 crore during the Tenth Plan to Rs. 110 crore during Eleventh Plan.

Statement

Funds Allocated and Utilized in Different Systems of medicine

(Rs. in crores)

Systems	2007-08						2008-09					
	Allocation			Expenditure			Allocation			Expenditure		
	Plan	Non Plan	Total	Plan	Non Plan	Total	Plan	Non Plan	Total	Plan	Non Plan	Total
Allopathy	841.75	669.16	1510.91	871.61	682.20	1553.81	973.86	587.35	1561.21	1173.16	914.27	2087.43
Homoeopathy	32.10	8.96	41.06	28.83	9.59	38.42	30.98	10.93	41.91	40.38	13.41	53.79
Ayurveda	53.82	48.34	102.16	40.19	49.46	89.57	68.02	54.72	122.74	56.70	76.93	133.63
Unani	26.70	13.00	39.70	24.08	16.00	40.08	26.00	17.10	43.10	36.63	25.07	61.70

System	2009-10 Allocation		
	Plan	Non Plan	Total
Allopathy	1892.27	1175.65	3067.92
Homoeopathy	52.03	21.61	73.64
Ayurveda	92.05	115.58	207.93
Unani	42.00	40.00	82.00